

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant	: Stephen M. Howard, et al.		
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**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2008, please consider the following:

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.